

Tax Relief Program for Weston Taxpayers

The Town of Weston is authorized to provide a tax deferment program to Weston taxpayers under Governor Lamont's Executive Order 7S issued on April 1, 2020, and approved by the Weston Board of Selectmen Meeting on April 16, 2020.

The tax deferment program is essentially an extended grace period on tax payments to assist Weston taxpayers suffering financial hardship due to COVID-19. Eligible taxpayers can utilize the tax deferment program for the July 2020 tax bills on real estate, personal property and motor vehicles so that payments made anytime within three months from each bill's due date will not incur interest charges or penalties.

Eligibility

Applications for the deferment program must account for one of the following hardships:

Household has suffered a reduction in income of at least 20 percent due to COVID-19.

Business or nonprofit revenue from March 2020 to June 2020 is expected to be reduced by at least 30 percent compared to the same time last year.

For landlords: Income is significantly reduced.

- a. Landlords will be asked to provide proof of commensurate forbearance programs offered to their own tenants to be eligible.

For example: Sending an email to the tax collector's office to confirm a forbearance of rent is being offered.

Applicants do not need to submit documentation.

Application Form

Click here to download the application form. Applicants must attest under penalty of perjury that the statements in the checked boxes are true.

Residents and businesses can file electronically or via paper.

Electronic Submission

Those residents and businesses wishing to apply electronically may fill out the online fillable PDF form, type signature and submit it electronically to the Town of Weston by emailing the tax collector's office to cneblett@westonct.gov or inohavec@westonct.gov

Paper Submission

Those residents and businesses wishing to apply via mail may print and fill out the form, sign it and mail to the address below.

Tax Collectors Office
56 Norfield Road
PO Box 1302
Weston, CT 06883

Deadlines

July 2020 Installment Deadline

Applicants will have until August 3, 2020 to submit their requests without incurring a penalty on their unpaid July 1, 2020 taxes.

Tax Due Dates

When will my taxes be due if I enroll in the program?

The proposed deferment program extends the normal grace period for tax payments from one month to three months. Under the deferment program, taxpayers have until October 1, 2020 to make their July 2020 installment payment. If payment is not received by October 2, 2020 interest will accrue retroactively from the original due date of July 1, 2020.

Disclaimer

Weston taxpayers are advised to use the deferment program only if delaying the tax payment will provide relief. The tax deferment program does not forgive tax payments. If July's taxes are not paid by the October 1, 2020 deadlines, late penalties will apply retroactively at 18% annually or 1.5% per month.

FAQ

Can I enroll if my bank pays my taxes with escrow?

Under the Governor's executive orders, banks and mortgage services that hold tax payments in escrow must continue to pay the Town when the taxes are due, even if the homeowner is participating in a moratorium on mortgage payments. Irrespective of whether a homeowner meets the hardship requirements, banks and servicers would still be obligated to pay the taxes.

I am already delinquent on my taxes. Can I apply to this program?

Yes. Delinquent taxpayers can apply to this program and if authorized, will be given three months of deferment on the July 2020 installment payment. Interest will continue to accrue as normal for all prior owed installment payments. Please see the disclaimer.

Will Weston extend this program?

Weston is authorized by the State of Connecticut to offer this three-month deferment program for the July 2020 installment payment only. The municipality does not have the authority to grant additional waivers on interest and penalties beyond what the State has authorized. If further program information or opportunities are presented by the State, the town will update this webpage.

Who should I contact with questions?

You can contact the Tax Collector's Office by email cneblett@westonct.gov or inohavec@westonct.gov or you can call our office at 203-222-2696 or 2697 and leave a message. We will get back to you as soon as possible.

How can I opt out of the program?

If you want to opt out, just pay your tax bill. Your account will be notated as current.

I'm enrolled in the Town Benefit for the Elderly Program. Does this program impact me?

This program will not affect any tax relief benefits you currently receive. You can apply to this program and will be given three months of deferment on the July 2020 installment payment.